

WOKINGHAM COPY.

2nd September, 1941.

Dear Sirs,

I duly received your letter of the 28th ultimo respecting the "EMPIRE MAVIS", and have to acquaint you that the contents have been noted.

I have, however, to inform you that the sizes of the under hatchways within the Bridge reported by the Newport News' surveyor were given as 3' x 3' 0" and 6' x 3' 6", and it is not understood why an additional beam has been fitted to reduce the unsupported space of cover.

The bearing surface of all hatch beams fitted to the hatchways on the freeboard deck were reported as 2", and you should confirm that this has now been found to be increased to 3".

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

pro Secretary.

The Surveyors,
HULL.

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